

Architectural Review Board
September 2, 2004

Jeffrey Plank, chair, called the meeting to order at 7:10 in the Conference Room at Victory Hall; also in attendance were Lillian Copeland and Ruth Klippstein. Heinz Gadiant was present, and observer Bob Schwartz. The agenda was reviewed and approval of August minutes postponed.

Summary of Actions: No formal action was taken.

Old Business: Fred Schneider is talking to Scott Ward about coordinating Scott's proposed wall sign with existing signage; we'll move ahead with this COA as quickly as possible.

New Business: Heinz discussed his plans for 977 Valley St., where he hopes to build a veterinary clinic and kennels, saying he and his architect were looking for advice on materials and aesthetics. Jeffrey reiterated ARB's wish not to make "fake old" buildings in Scottsville, but to identify the appropriate commercial vernacular components to "refer" to in the new structure; and to allow form to be dictated by function. We talked about the balance between town and country in this location as well. All our discussion tended to acceptance of Heinz's first elevation, utilizing siding and a metal roof, and offering a more authentic commercial look. Jeffrey and Fred will meet in Charlottesville with Heinz and his architect, and try to move along a fast track with this proposal. Eventually, we noted, we will need lighting and landscape plans as well.

Maintenance: We received the letter sent by Barry to Chris Long about Bocce's building, and reviewed the important points, especially that work can be halted if a total plan has not been approved by the town.

Inventory project: Jeffrey is engaged in on-going talks with various people and agencies. When a realistic publication budget is proposed, we will meet with the Albemarle Historical Society to draw up deadlines.

With no further business, we adjourned at 8:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Klippstein, secretary